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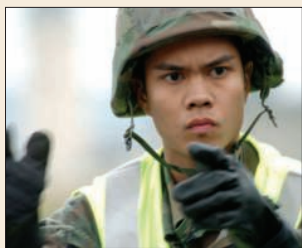
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## U.S. forces take fight into center of Fallujah

At least 16 U.S. servicemembers killed in last two days in Iraq

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Airman 1st Class Marco Abundo, a member of the 374th Medical Group, Yokota Air Base, Japan, marshals a forklift during the cargo-loading portion of the operational readiness exercise Tuesday.

### Getting a grip on readiness



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Airman 1st Class Michelle Griesse, of the 374th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Yokota Air Base, Japan, tightens the strap of a cargo pallet during an exercise at the base Tuesday. The operational readiness exercise tested the 374th Airlift Wing's command and control, operations, mission support and ability to survive in a chemical environment.

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## States

**Presidential run:** Cameron F. Kerry says it's "conceivable" his brother, Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kerry, will run for president in 2008, despite a close loss to President Bush last week. "He's in a position of national leadership," Cameron Kerry told the Boston Globe in an interview published Tuesday. "He's going to exercise that role and be a voice for the 55 million people who voted for him. The position he's in gives him a bully pulpit."

**Nightclub fire:** Station nightclub owners Jeffrey and Michael Dederian must respond to civil suits filed against them, and cannot delay the suits until the criminal case against them is settled, a federal judge has ruled.

U.S. District Judge Ronald Laguesuel ruled on Monday, however, that the Dederians cannot be deposed and do not have to answer more detailed questions from victims' lawyers at this point.

**Super Bowl blunder:** CBS has called for the cancellation of a \$550,000 federal fine for producing the Super Bowl halftime show during which Janet Jackson's breast was exposed.

CBS, a subsidiary of Viacom Inc., argued in a 78-page letter to the Federal Communications Commission dated Friday that the "costume reveal" wasn't foreseeable.

"No one at the network knew, or had reason to suspect, that the halftime show would end with a glimpse of nudity," CBS said. Yet the fine, announced in September, "is based on the premise that Viacom planned and 'touted' what it did not know would happen," CBS added.

## Military

**Army rape victim:** A lieutenant in the New Jersey National Guard who said she was raped at a base in Mississippi does not have to return there, the Army said.

The woman's lawyer had said that the Army was threatening to prosecute her for being AWOL — or absent without leave — if she did not return to Camp Shelby in Mississippi. But over the weekend, Lt. Richard Steele, a spokesman for the Georgia-based First United States Army, told reporters the lieutenant could avoid prosecution by reporting to her nearest military installation.

## World

**Fathers' rights dispute:** Britain's top family law judge has no time for Batman and Robin.



**Ivory Coast cocoa shutdown:** A worker shovels up cocoa beans after they have been dried in the sun in Guiglo in western Ivory Coast. Competition over land to grow cocoa, the key ingredient in chocolate, is fueling a cycle of ethnic violence in Ivory Coast, the world's largest producer where 40 percent of global supply is harvested. Violence in the Ivory Coast has shut down cocoa exports from the world's largest producer, closing ports that ship more than 40 percent of the world's raw material for chocolate, cocoa traders said Tuesday.

Dame Elizabeth Butler-Sloss said Tuesday she would not listen to the arguments of a fathers' rights group whose members have dressed up as comic book characters and invaded Buckingham Palace and other monuments in a campaign for more rights to their children.

Butler-Sloss said Fathers 4 Justice was not making a "sensible" argument that would lead to constructive dialogue between parents fighting for access to their children.

**Gay marriage:** A lesbian couple who wed in Canada can seek to have their union legally recognized in Ireland, a judge ruled Tuesday in a case he predicted would have deep consequences for this predominantly Catholic country.

High Court Justice Liam McKechnie said lawyers representing Ann Louise Gilligan and Katherine Zappone had presented an arguable case that merited a full hearing, likely to take place next year.

Gilligan and Zappone — who were married in British Columbia in September 2003 within months of the legalization of same-sex marriage there — are the first gay couple in Ireland to go to court to seek state recognition of a foreign marriage.

**Afghanistan kidnappings:** Two of three U.N. workers kidnapped in Afghanistan have called home to say they are OK, officials and relatives said Tuesday, and one hos-

tage said she expected to be released soon.

A spokesman for the Afghan government said "progress has been made" toward ending the crisis. "I'm hopeful that we will see their safe release in the near future," said Jawed Ludin.

**Milosevic's war crimes trial:** Slobodan Milosevic's trial resumed Tuesday at the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal with the court hearing a British lawyer's request to be dismissed as a standby attorney for the former Yugoslav president.

Steven Kay, appointed in September to defend Milosevic against the former leader's will, filed a "motion for withdrawal" on Monday.

He said Milosevic was uncooperative, and many defense witnesses refused to come to court to be questioned by Kay and his assistant, Gillian Higgins.

**Sudan humanitarian crisis:** Sudan's government and Darfur's rebels agreed Tuesday to sign fresh accords meant to stop hostilities and guarantee aid groups access to 1.6 million war-displaced in Sudan's troubled western region of Darfur.

For the first time, Sudan's government agreed to renounce "hostile" military flights over Darfur, apparently setting up a no-fly zone demanded by rebels amid widespread accusations of government bombings of villages.

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# Misawa preps residents for winter weather

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN

Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Snow is a fact of life at this northern Japan base. And so, it seems, are winter-related accidents, from fender-benders on icy roads to backs strained from snow shoveling.

Base officials every year aim to reduce cold-weather mishaps through a series of mandatory winter awareness briefings. This year's sessions began Monday.

"The winters here are very unpredictable," said Tech. Sgt. Abraham Malt, non-commissioned officer in charge of ground safety for the 35th Fighter Wing. The weather, he noted, can turn on a dime. "We talk about how to drive in the snow and what to expect during the winter."

Misawa, in northern Honshu near the Pacific Ocean, receives an average yearly snowfall of 125 inches, though it's been as

high as 219 inches and as little as last year's total of 70.9 inches. But even when snow is sparse, icy roads are a mainstay of Misawa winters.

Malt said driving, especially off-base, can be tricky since Japanese usually don't plow side roads in town. And while some base residents never have driven in snow before, Malt said he worries more about experienced winter drivers: "Those are the most dangerous ones because of complacency."

While security forces will provide winter-driving tips, civil engineering personnel will explain which on-base roads are cleared first and the base parking lot plowing schedule. Certain lots are plowed on certain days; civil engineering personnel will tow vehicles still in parking areas to be plowed that day, Malt said.

Others to speak at the briefing include representatives from 35th Medical Group,

Outdoor Recreation and the wing safety office.

In fiscal 2004, winter sports accounted for 36 active-duty mishaps, wing safety statistics show. Those include skiing, snowboarding and sledding accidents. In addition, 40 "other winter mishaps" were logged, such as muscle strains from shoveling snow and slips and falls. In all, 46 duty days were lost.

A tragic incident prompted the annual briefings, base officials said: In winter 1996, three Misawa airmen camping in the Hakko mountains were asphyxiated in their sleep when a propane stove consumed oxygen in their tent.

Presenters will discuss this incident as well as two other serious Misawa winter mishaps: In 1999, three sailors almost were lost while skiing in the Hakko mountains; in 2001, a military passenger and Japanese driver were killed in a Febru-

ary vehicle collision. Speeding and road closures were factors, Malt said of the latter.

Winter also can pose indoor hazards. Malt said every year, Misawa has a few house fires from unattended candles and Christmas tree lights.

Briefings at the Richard Bong Theater will be offered Monday through Nov. 18 at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Briefings also will be held at 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Nov. 19 in the Toboku Enlisted Club. Civilians working for Department of Defense Dependents Schools can catch a briefing either at 3 p.m. Nov. 22 at Sollars Elementary School or 10 a.m. Nov. 29 at Edgren High School.

The briefings are mandatory for all active-duty troops and Defense Department employees assigned to the installation. The sessions are not mandatory for family members, but they are encouraged to attend.

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Hideo Minami, director of the Niigata Prefecture Tokyo Office, accepts a donation from Capt. King Dietrich, Commander, Fleet Activities, Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan, during a ceremony Tuesday morning in Tokyo. On the right is Capt. Mark S. Welch, Defense and Naval Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. Residents of U.S. Navy bases in Japan donated nearly \$40,000 to earthquake-relief efforts in northeast Niigata. The area was rocked Oct. 23 by a 6.8-magnitude earthquake and continues to feel strong aftershocks. Minami said he was "really happy and grateful" for the aid.

T.D. FLACK/Stars and Stripes



## Bases donate funds for earthquake relief

BY T.D. FLACK

Stars and Stripes

TOKYO — U.S. Navy base residents donated nearly \$40,000 to earthquake-stricken Niigata Prefecture during a small ceremony Tuesday morning in Tokyo.

Capt. King Dietrich, commander of Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan, presented \$24,225 — gathered during Yokosuka church services — to Hideo Minami, director of Niigata's Prefecture Office in Tokyo. Base officials said an additional \$10,000 from Atsugi Naval Air Facility, \$909.85 from Diego Garcia and \$4,505.92 from Sasebo Naval Base, Japan, would be coming in the near future.

Capt. Mark S. Welch, Defense and Naval Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, and Lt. Cmdr. Phil Pelikan, Yokosuka's deputy command chaplain, accompanied Dietrich.

Dietrich told Minami, through a translator, that base chaplains came up with the idea of "a special donation to assist with the recovery" in the prefecture.

Niigata was rocked Oct. 23 by a 6.8-magnitude earthquake, and several strong aftershocks have followed. Dozens of people were killed and more than 2,000 injured. More than 18,000 people are still homeless and officials are scrambling to beat the winter snow.

"It's not a great amount of money but hopefully it will help you in providing assistance to your citizens," Dietrich said.

Minami thanked Dietrich for the donation, saying the "money you gave us today will help ... a good cause."

Minami also told the visiting Americans that while a small por-

tion of the prefecture was heavily damaged in the quakes, other areas are still holding for a strong tourist season — especially on the ski slopes.

Dietrich said he would be contributing to Niigata's economy when he takes a Yokosuka base ski tour toward the end of December.

"We're waiting for you," Minami said in English.

Pelikan told Minami the base community will continue to pray for prefecture's residents.

"Part of our religious services is to be giving," Pelikan told Stars and Stripes. "Everyone just reached a little deeper because of the tragedy. We're glad to be giving."

Minami said the donation from base residents was a surprise. "I'm really happy and grateful," he told Stars. He said the act helped show him that compassion doesn't have borders.

Minami said Niigata officials would form a committee to decide how to use the donations.

U.S. Ambassador Howard Baker provided Japan \$50,000 for disaster assistance on Oct. 25. On Nov. 5, an embassy release stated, "The United States Government will provide an additional \$100,000 to assist the people of Niigata Prefecture affected by the recent series of earthquakes." Those funds were to be used for logistics support to aid in the transportation of emergency relief items to the stricken area.

Other U.S. bases in Japan, including Yokota Air Base and Iwakuni Marine Corps Air Station, also are offering assistance through donations.

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### Navy participates in drill

YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan — The U.S. Navy participated in an emergency response drill Tuesday with the city of Yokosuka.

The drill tested base and city communications' response to a high radiation level reading from the base and the city's radiological accident response procedures, according to a Navy release.

Approximately 2,000 people from 31 organizations participated in the drill.

A monitoring team from the city was dispatched to the base to check the monitoring post" after a simulated high radiation reading from the base, the release stated. Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka verified conditions were normal aboard a simulated submarine and "passed this information back to the city."

No U.S. submarines were in port during the drill.

The cause for the simulated reading was determined to be a nondestructive testing machine at a nearby construction site, according to Jon Nylander, a spokesman for Commander Naval Forces Japan.

Nylander said the drill appeared to be a success.

"Apparently everyone who took part said it went real well, the communications systems worked the way they were supposed to and the flow of information was ... unimpeded."

### White House seeks top chiefs

NAVAL STATION ROTC, Spain — The Navy's top chiefs are in demand by the nation's top mess — the White House.

The Presidential Food Service Department is looking for culinary specialists in the Navy to cook for the commander in chief and the White House staff, according to a Navy news release. Forty-nine Navy culinary specialists work in the White House, helping provide 250-325 meals a day to the president and members of his staff.

The department is especially looking for culinary specialists in the E-6 and E-5 pay grades, but E-4 sailors are encouraged to apply, according to Master Chef Petty Officer Colleen Maes, the department's deputy director and command master chef.

For more information on how to join the White House Presidential Food Service Department, call (202) 757-1285 or send an e-mail to [games@whm.mil](mailto:games@whm.mil)

From staff reports

# U.S. forces reach Fallujah's center

BY JIM KRANE  
The Associated Press

NEAR FALLUJAH, Iraq — U.S. troops drove into the center of the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah on Tuesday, overpowering small bands of guerrillas with massive firepower. The move against Fallujah prompted influential Sunni clerics to call for a boycott of national elections set for January.

The fighting claimed three American lives — part of a surge in casualties that has killed 16 U.S. troops in the past two days across Iraq. U.S. officials said that on Monday, they recorded 130 separate attacks across Iraq.

Prime Minister Ayad Allawi declared a nighttime curfew in Baghdad and its surroundings — the first in the capital for a year — to prevent the insurgents from opening up a "second front" to try to draw American forces away from Fallujah.

Several heavy explosions hit central Baghdad after midnight Tuesday, followed by the crackle of small arms fire. Armed insurgents, some of them masked, brandished weapons Tuesday in the center of two other Sunni strongholds — Ramadi and Hit — and clashes occurred in Mosul, the major city of northern Iraq.

In Saddam Hussein's hometown, Tikrit, insurgents distributed leaflets warning shopkeepers to close their stores until further notice to protest the attack against Fallujah.

The latest American deaths over the last two days included three in Fallujah combat on Tuesday, two killed by mortars near the northern city of Mosul and 11 others who died Monday, most of them as guerrillas launched a wave of attacks in Baghdad and southwest of Fallujah.

The 11 deaths were the highest one-day U.S. toll in more than six months.

In Fallujah, however, U.S.

troops were advancing more rapidly than in April, when insurgents fought a force of fewer than 2,000 Marines to a standstill in a three-week siege. It ended with the Americans handing over the city to a local force, which lost control to Islamic militants.

This time the U.S. military has sent up to 15,000 U.S. and Iraqi troops into the battle, backed by tanks, artillery and attack aircraft. More than 24 hours after launching the main attack, U.S. soldiers and Marines had punched through insurgent strongholds in the north and east of Fallujah and had reached the major east-west highway that bisects the city.

U.S. commanders said they had still not fully secured the northern half of the city but were well on their way as American and Iraqi troops searched for insurgents house by house and street by street.

U.S. officials offered no estimate of guerrilla losses but before the Monday night attack, the U.S. military reported 42 insurgents killed. Fallujah doctors reported 12 people dead. But since then, there has been no information on Iraqi death tolls.

Electricity has been cut off in the city. Residents said they were without running water and were worried about food shortages because most shops in the city have been closed for the past two days.

Resistance did not appear as fierce as expected. Small bands of guerrillas, armed with rifles, rocket-propelled grenades, mortars and machine guns, engaged U.S. troops, then fell back in the face of overwhelming fire.

Up to eight attack aircraft — including jets and helicopter gunships — blasted guerrilla strongholds and raked the streets with rocket, cannon and machine gun fire ahead of U.S. and Iraqi infantry who were advancing only one or two blocks behind the curtain of fire.



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## IN THE STATES

## Ashcroft, Evans resign from Bush Cabinet

BY TERENCE HUNT

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General John Ashcroft and Commerce Secretary Don Evans resigned Tuesday, the first members of President Bush's Cabinet to leave as he headed from re-election into his second term.

Ashcroft, in a five-page, handwritten letter to Bush, said, "The objective of securing the safety of Americans from crime and terror has been achieved."

"Yet I believe that the Department of Justice would be well served by new leadership and fresh inspiration," said Ashcroft, whose health problems earlier this year resulted in removal of his gall bladder.



Ashcroft

"I believe that my energies and talents should be directed toward other challenging horizons," he said.

Both Ashcroft and Evans have served in Bush's Cabinet from the start of the administration. Evans, a close friend of Bush's from Texas, wrote, "While the promise of your second term shines bright, I have concluded with deep regret that it is time for me to return home."

The resignations were announced by White House press secretary Scott McCl

elan, who said Bush had accepted the decisions of both secretaries.

Ashcroft, 62, has been well liked by many conservatives. At the same time, he has been a lightning rod for criticism of his handling of the U.S. end of the war against terror, especially the detention of terror suspects.

Evans, a Texas friend of the president, was instrumental in Bush's 2000 campaign and came with him to Washington. Evans has told aides he was ready for a change.



Evans

He was mentioned as a possible White House chief of staff in Bush's second term, but the president decided to keep Andy Card in that job.

One name being mentioned for Evans' job at Commerce is Mercer Reynolds, national finance chairman for the Bush campaign, who raised more than \$260 million to get him re-elected.

Speculation about a successor to Ashcroft has centered on his former deputy, Larry Thompson, who recently took a job as general counsel at PepsiCo. If appointed, Thompson would be the nation's first black attorney general. Others prominently mentioned include Bush's 2004 campaign chairman, former Montana Gov. Marc Racicot, and White House general counsel Alberto Gonzales.

## Bush visits troops at Walter Reed

BY TERENCE HUNT

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush, paying a bedside visit to soldiers wounded in Iraq, said Tuesday that U.S. troops leading the assault against insurgents in Fallujah were doing "the hard work necessary for a free Iraq to emerge."

The president and his wife, Laura Bush, spent about two hours at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, visiting with more than 50 troops wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan.

He offered his best wishes and prayers for the forces he said were still "in harm's way" in Fallujah.

"Coalition forces are now moving in Fallujah to bring to justice those who are willing to kill the innocent, those who are try-

ing to terrorize the Iraqi people and our coalition, those who want to stop democracy," he said. "They are not going to succeed and we wish our troops all the best."

The U.S. toll in Iraq has surpassed 1,100, and 11 Americans died on Monday alone. Three more were killed Tuesday in Fallujah.

"We are forever grateful to the families of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of freedom," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said. "They are serving for an important cause and a free Iraq will help transform a dangerous region of the world and make America more secure. We mourn the loss of all of our fallen."

Bush reviewed developments in Iraq in a meeting Monday with Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

The secretary later would not say whether he wants to continue in his job in Bush's second term and said the matter hasn't been discussed in postelection meetings.

Rumsfeld aides said they expect him to remain for the start of Bush's new term, although whether he aims to stay the full four years is unclear.

Other possibilities for the top Pentagon job include Sen. John Warner, R-Va., national security adviser Condoleezza Rice, who has told associates she plans to resign; and John Lehman, a former Navy secretary and Republican member of the Sept. 11 commission.

In the only major decision announced for Bush's second term, the president will keep Andy Card as White House chief of staff.

## Judge replaces juror in Peterson trial

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — The judge in the Scott Peterson murder trial dismissed a juror Tuesday and replaced her with an alternate — a sign of conflict in the jury room on the fifth day of deliberations.

Judge Alfred A. Delucchi ordered the juror to start over in its deliberations. It was not immediately clear what the juror did to prompt her dismissal.

The judge removed the juror after meeting behind closed doors with lawyers in the case. A day earlier, Delucchi lectured the jury about the importance of deliberating with an open mind, prompting speculation among trial observers that the panel could be reaching a deadlock.

Peterson, 32, is charged with two counts of murder in the deaths of his wife, Laci, and the fetus she carried. Prosecutors claim Peterson killed Laci around Christmas Eve 2002, then dumped her weighted body from his boat into San Francisco Bay.

## Pilot ejects before military jet crashes

LAS VEGAS — A Virginia-based Navy pilot ejected moments before his jet crashed Tuesday near Nellis Air Force Base, military officials said.

The single-seat F-18 went down at 9 a.m. about 15 miles north of the base, according to a statement released by the Air Force. The pilot was rescued and taken to a base hospital, where his condition was unknown. The Air Force was investigating the cause of the crash.

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## IN THE WORLD

# Arafat coma deepens; euthanasia 'ruled out'

## Key Palestinians attack rumors on visit

BY JOHN LEICESTER

The Associated Press

PARIS — Yasser Arafat's condition deteriorated dramatically overnight as his coma deepened, but the Palestinian foreign minister said Tuesday he is "still alive" and his brain, heart and lungs are working.

Palestinian Foreign Minister Nabil Shaath said the 75-year-old Arafat was in critical condition. Shaath spoke after top Palestinian officials went to the hospital outside Paris where Arafat has been for nearly two weeks.

At a news conference in Paris, Shaath said the Palestinian leadership wanted to end rumors and speculation about Arafat's health. Media reports have speculated that Arafat had either died or was brain dead.

"His brain, his heart and his lungs are still functioning and he is alive," Shaath said.

Shaath, referring to reports that Arafat might be removed from life support, said the possibility of euthanasia has been "ruled out."

"We don't have a full understanding of why his state has deteriorated, which means we don't have a full diagnosis," Shaath said. He said Arafat's nearly three-year confinement at his headquarters in the West Bank contributed to his deterioration.

Shaath was part of a senior Palestinian delegation, including Prime Minister

Ahmed Qureia and former Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas, that jetted into the French capital late Monday to urgently assess Arafat's condition. They left Paris on Tuesday evening for Amman, Jordan, where they were to continue on to Ramallah in the West Bank.

Palestinian leaders, meanwhile, made preparations for Arafat's eventual death, deciding that he will be buried at the West Bank headquarters, Deputy Parliament Speaker Hassan Khreishe told The Associated Press.

"We formed a committee to handle Arafat's burial in the event of his death, and the burial will be in the Muqata," Khreishe said, referring the Ramallah headquarters by its Arabic name.

Israel has ruled out a burial in Jerusalem or the city's West Bank suburb of Abu Dis.

A Palestinian official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the decision was made by Qureia

and the No. 2 in the Palestinian Liberation Organization, Abbas, the current caretaker leaders.

The official said the Ramallah burial would be considered temporary, until Arafat could be reburied in Jerusalem.

Top Islamic cleric Taisir Dayut Tamimi said he was rushing from the West Bank to Arafat's bedside at the request of Palestinian officials. Tamimi, the head of the Islamic court in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, said he was going to Paris "to be near President Arafat at this crucial time."

A top Palestinian official, Tayeb Abdel Rahim, said Arafat had suffered a brain hemorrhage Monday night at the Percy Military Training Hospital outside Paris.

A senior Palestinian official said earlier that Arafat has only hours to live. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, was in Ramallah and had been briefed by Palestinian officials in Paris.

Abdel Rahim said Palestinian leaders would meet through the night at Arafat's headquarters "to follow everything and to agree on the details of the required arrangements."

Arafat's wife, Suha, has used French privacy laws to bar access to the Palestinian leader and there have been frequently conflicting reports about his health.

Gen. Christian Estriepeau, spokesman for the hospital, said Arafat has been in a coma for the past week. It was the first time the French medical team treating Arafat publicly acknowledged that he was in a coma.

Estriepeau said doctors were withholding a prognosis but that his deterioration marked "a significant stage."

The news of Arafat's deteriorating condition came amid a dramatic dispute between Suha Arafat and Palestinian officials whom she accused of trying to topple the leader after four decades in power.

In an angry outburst, Arafat's wife had accused the leaders of traveling to Paris to try to oust her husband from power and "bury" him "alive."

Shaath said after the visit that the dispute with Arafat's wife was over.

Some Palestinians have complained Suha Arafat has gained too much power, controlling the flow of information about Arafat's condition and taking charge of access to him in the hospital.

Suha Arafat, the mother of Arafat's daughter, seems to have aligned herself with hard-liners who apparently seek to lead in a post-Arafat era, though some Palestinian officials said her motives are more financial.

According to a senior official in Arafat's office, she has received monthly payments of \$100,000 from Palestinian coffers and is widely believed to control vast funds collected by the PLO.



French President Jacques Chirac, center, welcomes former Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas, left, and Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia in Paris on Tuesday. The delegation visited critically ill Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat at a military hospital earlier Tuesday.

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# U.N. watchdog moves from Seoul to DMZ

BY HAWON JUNG  
The Associated Press

SEOUL — The U.N. watchdog overseeing a cease-fire on the divided Korean Peninsula relocated Tuesday from Seoul to the border between the two Koreas to better monitor increasing traffic between the former battlefield foes.

The U.N. Military Armistice Commission was established at the end of the 1950-53 Korean War to supervise the truce that ended the conflict.

No peace treaty was signed after the war, and the American-led U.N. Command, which backed South Korea, remains technically at war with North Korea.

The armistice monitors left the main U.S. military base in central Seoul on Tuesday and relocated to posts around Panmunjom, a border village in the Demilitarized Zone about 30 miles north of Seoul.

The move came amid increasing economic cooperation between the two Koreas following an unprecedented 2000 summit.

All traffic bound for the North through the 155-mile-long DMZ, one of the world's most heavily armed borders, must be cleared with the U.N. armistice commission.

"By being forward around the scene ... we can provide timely support to inter-Korean efforts toward reconciliation," U.S. Army Col. Kevin Madden, a member of the armistice commission, told reporters at Panmunjom.

South Korea is building an industrial complex in Kaesong, a North Korean town

just north of the border. South Korean companies hope to begin construction there late this year, capitalizing on cheap North Korean labor. Their operations will provide the North with badly needed cash.

Buses carrying South Korean workers and trucks loaded with raw materials are already running between Seoul and Kaesong.

The Koreas were divided at the end of World War II. Since the Korean War, a 2.5-mile-wide DMZ has kept the opposing armies apart. The buffer zone is guarded by mine fields, razor wire and tank traps.

## Official says DMZ breach well-planned

BY TERI WEAVER  
Stars and Stripes

PANMUNJOM — A top-ranking United Nations Command official Tuesday called last month's breach of the Demilitarized Zone's southern fence line a well-planned effort that most likely involved knowledge of Republic of Korea Army guard movements along the fence.

Evidence so far indicates the person or persons responsible for cutting three 18-inch-square holes in the fence "clearly had planned and had knowledge of these procedures," Air Force Maj. Gen. Thomas P. Kane, senior U.S. member of the United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission, stated during a press briefing at the Joint Security Area.

ROK Army guards on duty before the discovery were monitoring the border with random checks, an appropriate procedure, Kane noted.

Still, those responsible "had just the equipment they needed to cut through the fence," he told reporters during a press tour Tuesday. "It was a precision cut."

The South Korean military discovered the holes in the fence on Oct. 26. Initially, the Korean military indicated it believed North Koreans had infiltrated the South. A day later, the Korean Joint Chiefs of Staff said they believed a civilian defecting to the North made the holes.

Kane praised the South Korean response to the incident and the investigation so far.

"This one event, while serious, was dealt with effectively," he said. "This was an isolated event."

He did note, however, that determining how many people may have crossed through the fence, if any, has been hard to determine. By the time UNC investigators arrived at the site, any footprints had been trampled.

Last week, the South Korean military relieved the commanders of the platoon, company and battalion responsible for patrolling the DMZ section where the holes were found. According to the Ministry of National Defense, division and regimental commanders responsible for the area were referred to a disciplinary board.

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# Powell: President won't back down

Secretary of state:  
Bush also will not  
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The Associated Press

LONDON — President Bush will continue his "aggressive" foreign policy and will not hesitate to act alone, Secretary of State Colin Powell said in an interview published Tuesday.

"The president is not going to trim his sails or pull back," The Financial Times quoted Powell as saying in an interview on Monday.

"It's a continuation of his principles, his policies, his beliefs."

Although the United States' policies also would be in the interest of friends and alliances and "multilateral in nature," the country would act alone where necessary, he said.

Powell said U.S. foreign policy had been "aggressive in terms of going after challenges and issues," and that President Bush was "going to keep moving in this direction."

The secretary of state said Bush would convey to European leaders that he was "anxious to reach out" to them, and he said the United States could get over its disagreements with France, Germany and Russia, The Financial Times reported.

Powell said the prospect of a

transition in the Palestinian leadership raised by Yasser Arafat's illness was a chance to move the Middle East peace process ahead.

"We are ready to seize this opportunity aggressively," Powell said.



Powell

Powell told reporters that he was "impressed by the manner in which Palestinian leaders had been discussing among themselves how to move forward."

He said he also was encouraged by the relative peacefulness in the region recently.

"I hope that sense of quiet calm can be maintained. That gives us something to work with," he said.

U.S. officials are in touch with all the parties concerning a stalled Middle East peace settlement, he noted.

"The president has made it clear and I have made it clear to them that we are ready to engage as soon as it is appropriate to engage," he told reporters.

## Italian kidnapped

MANILA, Philippines — An Italian working for a European Union nongovernmental organization was allegedly kidnapped Tuesday by unidentified gunmen in the southern Philippines, a government source said.

Andrea Cianferoni, a program director for Movimondo, was seized in Delabayan village, outside Kauswagan town in Lanao del Norte province, said the source, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Cianferoni's pickup truck was found in a nearby village.

Cianferoni, 29 and a native of Florence, oversees projects such as village roads and health centers in Lanao del Norte funded by the EU, said the source from the main southern island of Mindanao.

## Nepal bomb blast

KATMANDU, Nepal — Suspected rebels set off a powerful bomb in the Nepalese capital on Tuesday, wounding at least 38 people, police said.

Three men brought the bomb to a shopping mall that was still under construction in downtown Katmandu and then took off, police at the scene said.

It exploded minutes later, damaging parts of the building and wounding at least 38 people, a police official quoted Kulkarni Lama, a security guard at the building site, as saying.

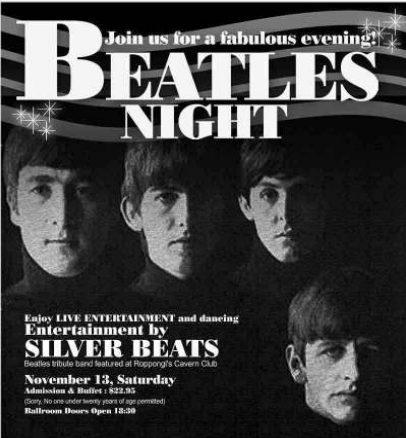
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## FACES

## Dawn of a new day for rockers Duran Duran

BY REBECCA LOUIE  
New York Daily News

There's nothing like releasing a rock record to feed nostalgia for a band at its bygone peak.

In 2000, Duran unleashed the critical and commercial flop "Pop Trash."

"It was a complete disaster. I was thinking, 'How do I get out of this?'" singer Simon LeBon recalls. He and keyboardist Nick

Rhodes, Taylor, drummer Roger Taylor and guitarist Andy Taylor (who are unrelated) first reconvened in an office in London.

"Within 10 minutes, it was as if all these spaces between us, over all these years, had melted away," Rhodes says.

Though they had not all recorded together since 1983's "Seven and the Ragged Tiger," they composed more than 30 tracks, 13 of which made it onto the recently released "Astronaut," the first in a four-album deal with Sony.

"Other acts were never able to get past the 1980s," says Rick Krin, executive vice president of music and talent at VHI. "Madonna survived by being a chameleon, changing with the times. AC/DC hasn't done a single thing different in 30 years and they may be as big now as they ever were. Duran Duran managed to do a little bit of both. The guys still look great and manage to make contemporary music that sounds like Duran Duran but is not necessarily nostalgic or retro."

"We've finally gotten to the stage where everybody is acting like they did when they were in their 20s," LeBon says. "Not in the way that we were up all night taking drugs and chasing women around, but where we just go and do what we have to do to get the job done. It used to be that everyone tried to inspire the other four people as much as they could. That's still there. And [knowing that] makes us a lot more aware of each other and what we can do, making us more tolerant and appreciative as well."

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## YOUR MONEY

## Home stores blacklisting frequent shoppers

BY ARIANA EUNJUNG CHA

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Darlene Salerno considers herself a loyal customer of the Express clothing chain, shelling out roughly \$2,000 for its trendy outfits each year for the past decade. On a recent shopping trip, she bought a tank top, a button-down shirt and some khaki pants, but realized when she got home that she had similar items in her closet.

So a few days later she took them back to the store. She presented the items and her receipt and waited for her money.

Instead, the saleswoman handed her a slip of paper that said "RETURN DECLINED" and told her to call the toll-free number at the bottom for more information. She phoned and was informed her account showed "excessive" returns.

As the holiday shopping season gets into full swing, a number of major retailers — including KB Toys and Sports Authority, according to store personnel — are rolling out electronic systems that weigh the number of returns and exchanges a person has made, the dollar value of the items, and the dates of the transactions to decide whether a consumer should be granted another. The systems are designed to catch shoplifters and those who "wardrobe," wear clothes and then return them for a full refund.

But Salerno, a receptionist at a Manhattan financial firm, said she falls under neither category. She returns things often because



Washington Post

Shoppers look for deals while browsing at Dulles Town Center in Northern Virginia recently. Retailers say return fraud has become a major drain on their coffers. As a result, some stores are denying return requests.

she buys things often. She said she feels she has done nothing wrong — the clothes were never worn and the tags were still attached — but that she was treated like a criminal.

"I'm embarrassed to go into the store," said Salerno, 26. "I love their clothes, but I'm afraid to shop there now."

As more personal information is collected into databases, computers have been handed increasing power to make decisions about our everyday lives. The technological systems aim to

solve costly and important business problems, but the proliferation of these "electronic blacklists" has alarmed consumer and privacy advocacy groups who say many databases have incomplete, incorrect or misleading information.

"Technology has made it cheap to do all kinds of surveillance and watch over people and make sure they obey the rules. But when a system makes a mistake, what can you do?" said Richard Smith, an Internet security and privacy consultant.

The Fair Credit Reporting Act of 1970 gives consumers rights concerning information used to make decisions about credit, insurance, employment or other services. Other federal laws impose disclosure requirements on the medical establishment or the financial services industry. But increasingly, companies are creating databases not envisioned by such regulations, and there is debate about which laws, if any, apply.

Peggy Twigg, assistant director of the Division of Financial Practices of the Federal Trade Commission, which administers the Fair Credit Act, said whether a particular information system is covered by it "depends on the particular facts of each system, and can be a complex legal question."

A spokesman for Limited Brands Inc., which owns the Express stores, declined to answer questions about its computerized return authorization system. Mark Hinkins, a co-founder of the Return Exchange Inc., an Irvine, Calif.-based company that provides technology for the retail chain, and the computer denies returns to 1 percent to 2 percent of customers at most stores. He

said even though the database is not subject to the requirements of the Fair Credit Act, his company provides consumers a free copy of their report whenever they ask it gives them an opportunity to correct inaccurate data. He added that very few have disputed the information.

"The system is often highly reliable. We have a very fair system to make us aware of any discrepancies they think they found in their report," said Hinkins, senior vice president of sales and marketing.

He said the company's privacy policy prevents him from commenting on individual experiences. The company's criteria for judging returns varies from retailer to retailer and is not disclosed because it might inadvertently aid those who want to abuse the system. It's possible, the company said, that a return rejected one day could come in the next day and be approved.

Hinkins added that the company is not aggregating return data from multiple retailers but that there has been interest from clients who want to share return information with one another.

Return fraud has been a major concern on retailers' coffers. Richard Hollinger, a professor of criminology at the University of Florida in Gainesville, said retailers in 2003 lost nearly \$30 billion to return-related sales, because of fraud and that roughly half of that may be re-used to fund further crime. Last year, scanners have used the Internet to launder the money — people steal merchandise, return it for cash and then use that cash to fund those credit slips into cash by selling them at a discount on eBay or other online auction sites.

Retailers like Limited are fighting back against such high-tech fraud with high-tech defenses. Sometimes in the spring, consumers and Express workers say, the store began replacing the black placards denoting its return policy to note that it was using the Return Exchange service. The new signs advertise the "Express Guarantee" and say consumers have up to 60 days to return items. However, the company's return policy also notes that it uses an "industry wide" system to authorize returns and that "under certain circumstances we reserve the right to deny returns."

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10,731.31	9,565.59	Dow Jones Industrials	10,731.31	+2.77	+0.01
3,586.24	2,743.46	Dow Jones Transportation	3,586.24	+9.47	+0.27
321.54	242.26	Dow Jones Utilities	321.54	+7.77	+2.38
6,924.64	5,922.45	NASDAQ Composite	6,924.64	-16.23	-0.23
2,333.83	1,958.82	NYSE Amex	2,333.83	-7.43	-0.32
1,170.87	1,031.20	S&P 500	1,170.87	-0.21	-0.02
623.33	462.26	S&P MidCap	623.33	-0.22	-0.03
11,455.35	9,100.28	DJ Wilshire 5000	11,455.35	+1.31	+0.01

NYSE			AMEX			NASDAQ		
Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)	Most Active (\$1 or more)
Apple (AAPL)	3,546.00	+2.81	Amazon (AMZN)	67.00	+0.10	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80
Merck (MRK)	36,476.00	+26.57	SPDR	330.00	+1.11	Intel (INTC)	29,987.00	+23.23
Boeing (BA)	12,821.00	+1.00	SPDR	1,000.00	+0.10	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80
Norfolk Southern (NSC)	2,993.00	+3.13	Goldman Sachs (GS)	60.00	+0.40	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80
Johnson & Johnson (JNJ)	15,986.00	+16.00	SPDR	1,000.00	+0.10	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80
Altria (MO)	13,191.00	+16.00	SPDR	1,000.00	+0.10	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80
Verizon Wireless (VZ)	12,975.00	+26.00	SPDR	1,000.00	+0.10	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80
Sealed Air (SHO)	11,909.00	+11.00	SPDR	1,000.00	+0.10	Microsoft (MSFT)	11,000.00	+2.80

KEY DEFENSE STOCKS					
Name	High	Low	Close	Net Chg	% Chg
Atlantic Technology	10.00	8.00	9.00	+1.00	+11.11
Boeing	12,821.00	12,821.00	12,821.00	+1.00	+0.01
General Dynamics	100.00	90.00	95.00	+5.00	+5.26
Lockheed Martin	140.00	130.00	135.00	+5.00	+3.70
Northrop Grumman	100.00	90.00	95.00	+5.00	+5.26
Raytheon	100.00	90.00	95.00	+5.00	+5.26
Boeing	12,821.00	12,821.00	12,821.00	+1.00	+0.01
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Raytheon	100.00	90.00	95.00	+5.00	+5.26

KEY MUTUAL FUNDS					
Name	High	Low	Close	Net Chg	% Chg
Fidelity Asset Manager	37.34	36.00	36.50	+0.50	+1.34
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Military rates		
Japanese yen (Nov. 10)	103.00	
South Korean won (Nov. 9)	1,077.00	
Euro (Nov. 9)	\$1.3337	
British pound (Nov. 9)	\$1.51	
Commercial rates		
Bahrain (Dollar)	0.377	
British pound	\$1.5143	
Canada (Dollar)	\$0.656	
Denmark (Krone)	\$5.4684	
Euro (Pound)	\$1.2895	
Euro	\$1.2911	
Hong Kong (Dollar)	\$7.75	
Hungary (Forint)	186.57	
India (Rupee)	47.60	
Israel (Shekel)	4.4195	
Japan (Yen)	105.52	
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2948	
Malaysia (Ringgit)	0.656	
Philippines (Peso)	\$56.18	
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7502	
Singapore (Dollar)	1.6497	
South Africa (Rand)	1.9189	
Switzerland (Franc)	1.1818	
Taiwan (Dollar)	1.482750	
Turkey (Lira)	1.482750	

(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For historical currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference only. All figures are in U.S. dollars unless otherwise indicated. The British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is represented in dollars-to-euro.)

## PRECIOUS METALS

New York Mercile		
Gold	\$432.70	
Silver	\$7.477	
INTEREST RATES		
Prime rate	4.75	
Discount rate	4.75	
Federal funds market rate	1.8125	
3-month bill	2.04	
30-year bond	4.53	
Sources: The Associated Press, Bank of America		

# Cents and Sensibility

## Money tip of the day

### Job-related tax cuts

**CBS MarketWatch**

**NEW YORK** — There are less than two months until Jan. 1, so you'd better act soon to take any tax deductions you can on income earned in 2004.

Here are some job-related deductions that you may be eligible for:

- Job-hunting expenses
- Work clothes and uniforms
- Tools and equipment

In order to claim employee expenses, you must itemize them as miscellaneous deductions on Schedule A of Form 1040. Miscellaneous deductions are subject to a 2 percent limit, which means you can deduct the amount left after you subtract 2 percent of your adjusted gross income from the total.

So save your receipts and document them for tax time.

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## OPINION

## Media often let the terrorists dictate terms

BY DANIEL MANDEL

**D**o the media give aid and comfort to terrorists by giving their violence maximum exposure and impact at times while sanitizing the perpetrators and tainting their victims at others? It is standard procedure for many media outlets to describe the perpetrators of terrorist acts — the premeditated slaughter of civilians — with a range of euphemisms, “militants” being the most common.

Thus, The New York Times can headline a report on the killing of a hostage as “Iraq Militants Said to Behold a Truck Driver From Bulgaria.” Similarly, terrorists killed in a military strike can be described in another as “Israeli Airstrike Kills 2 Hamas Militants, Wounds 6 Bystanders.” Sometimes words are substituted, with governments’ statements about “wanted terrorists” being transformed into “wanted militants.”

Conversely, highly judgmental language is used when describing counterterrorism: “murder” and “assassination” have been popular when describing Israeli targeting of terrorist chiefs, bombers and dispatchers, even when no civilians are harmed.

How to justify these choices? Media organizations allege professional objectivity. The Reuters news agency has argued that “terrorism” is an “emotive term” unbecoming to “impartial journalists.” The Canadian Broadcasting Corp. takes a similar view. “Terrorist” is a subjective term, while “militant” is an objective one.

These rationalizations are based on the assumption, willful or otherwise, that violence committed on behalf of an approved cause

cannot be terrorist. The platitude is well known to everyone: “One man’s terrorist is another’s freedom fighter.”

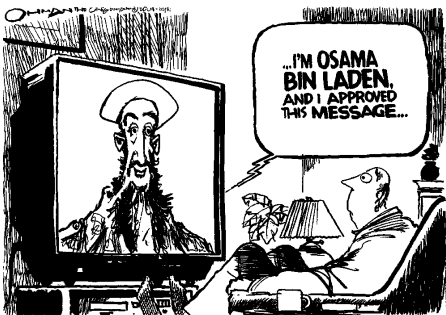
In fact, being a freedom fighter, however defined, does not foreclose on the possibility that one is a terrorist. The Israeli terrorism scholar Boaz Ganor has put it well: “When you deliberately choose to attack civilians, you cannot say any more, I am not a terrorist because I am a freedom fighter. Maybe you are a freedom fighter, but you are also definitely a terrorist.”

Why, therefore, do the media persist in sanitizing terrorism and tainting counterterrorism? Out of bias and fear. Contrary to what is normally claimed, a bias is at work in which the nature of the attacks matters less than the identity of the parties carrying them out. This illegitimate practice started with the media disfavoring Israel and favoring Palestinians. It has not stopped there.

The same media outlets that indulge this practice also defend it vigorously. Thus, when CanWest Global’s largest newspaper chain, altered news agency copy to restore the word “terrorist” to reports describing terrorist acts, Reuters, a leading purveyor of euphemistic reporting on terror, complained.

Revealingly, the global managing editor for Reuters, David Schlesinger, observed that naming terrorists as such could “endanger its reporters in volatile areas.” As journalist Jonathan Tobin wryly observed, “Reuters is worried that the people it won’t call terrorists will terrorize them.” The resultant bias dictates a spurious moral neutralism that actually favors terrorism.

Without TV or the Internet, the hideous



broadcasting of appeals from innocent hostages of Iraqi terrorists, followed by their televised merciless beheadings, could not succeed as a tactic to wage psychological warfare against the West. This, of course, redoubles pressure on governments to concede to blackmail and almost ensures the murder of hostages when they don't.

Far from reviewing gravely the journalistic ethics involved, media outlets, particularly in Europe, compete for the distinction of being the first to break the gruesome images of exhibition killings. This only ensures the

taking of more hostages and thus the taking of more innocent lives.

Clearly, the media fail in their mission when they allege superior detachment while in reality they become obliging accomplices of terrorists. Terrorists might well continue killing, whatever the nature of the reportage. But they should receive no help from journalists. And if they do, the media cannot expect immunity from criticism.

Daniel Mandel is associate director of the Middle East Forum in Philadelphia and the author of “H.V. Evil” and the Establishment of Israel: The Undercover Zionist.” This column first appeared in The (Baltimore) Sun.

## An age in which ‘retirement’ has shades of gray

**S**ometime next year, the Supreme Court justices (average age: 70) will rule on an age-discrimination case that stands to make even this conservative-leaning court appear rather bleeding-heart liberal, at least in one regard.

Bonnie Erbe



The justices heard arguments in a case last week weighing how much protection from job bias older workers are entitled to under law. The case was brought by a group of Jackson, Miss., police officers alleging bias when their younger counterparts received more generous raises.

Being, or, un-young themselves, even the justices could empathize with the plight of older police workers. Decidedly less sympathetic are businesses, which, according to analysts, are somewhat awitther over this case.

If the plaintiffs succeed, analysts foresee a flood of lawsuits any time layoffs or cutbacks disproportionately affect older workers.

While asking the court to limit this type of lawsuit, defense lawyer Glen Nager acted perhaps a bit too honestly and openly. As he differentiated age-discrimination claims from race and gender bias cases, he was quoted by The Boston Globe as telling the justices, “It’s painful” (considering the justices’ ages) to point out that older employees have different mental and physical abilities.

The Globe’s recount went on, “The justices, whose average age is 70, seemed unamused. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg reminded the Washington lawyer that artists like the composer Giuseppe Verdi did their

best work in their 70s. The court members have lifetime appointments and total job security. Many of them appeared concerned about shutting courts to people penalized at the best of their age.”

This is one instance in which, for the moment, market forces can and will prevail. As baby boomers (the largest-ever generation of Americans) begin to reach retirement, this nation’s work force faces the largest “brain drain” and “skills drain” it will ever have encountered in U.S. history.

Census data show that, a mere six years from now, 80 million baby boomers will begin to reach age 65. Today, 1 in 3 workers is older than 45. Two years from now the median age of America’s work force will rise to 40.6, up from 30 in the early 1960s.

Highly skilled industries such as medical technology, nursing and manufacturing already are facing a tremendous loss of expertise from downsizing, coupled with a rapidly

aging work force. Other industries soon will follow.

Three factors — relatively low unemployment (in historic terms), this tsunami of baby boomers rolling toward retirement and increased demands by younger workers for flexibility in employment — have combined to spark the beginning of a demographic shift known as phased retirement. While the number of corporations allowing workers to phase into and through retirement is still small, more corporations are letting older workers ease into retirement and in so doing work well beyond the average retirement age of 65-70.

Universities provide the model as they launched the phased retirement revolution before corporations. This change has taken place over the past two decades, as not only preretirement workers, but also young parents just launching their careers, have sought flexible hours, job-sharing and tele-

commuting. According to the Employee Benefits Research Institute, such major corporations as ExxonMobil and Marriott have begun offering phased retirement plans allowing some employees to continue working part time well beyond the traditional retirement age.

Does this mean the older police in Jackson were not discriminated against? Absolutely not. It does mean market forces may cure society of age bias well before the courts can do it. And this case makes another very important point.

If indeed the justices rule in favor of the senior police officers, it shows the value of understanding where an aggrieved party is “coming from.” This is a court that has less sympathy for race- and gender-bias claims, but seems to completely “get it” when it comes to claims of age discrimination.

Bonnie Erbe, host of the PBS program “To the Contrary,” writes this column for Scripps Howard News Service.

## Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



## Released by fax

**AR** MARION — An inmate charged with theft escaped twice in one week, including once after his wife had a forged letter authorizing his release faxed to the jail from a McDonald's official said.

Tristan Wilson, 20, was in custody and being treated for a broken leg he apparently suffered after jumping from a second-story window. Officials said he would be charged with two counts of escape.

Wilson, originally jailed on theft, forgery and burglary charges, first escaped Oct. 30. Officials said jailers freed him after receiving a letter allegedly written by a detective authorizing his release.

Wilson's wife, Crystal Wilson, 19, and a friend have been charged with forging the letter.

## Second chance for mom

**IL** SPRINGFIELD — The state Supreme Court has allowed a woman who served a prison term in Florida for the death of her child to regain custody of a 3-year-old boy born after she moved to Illinois.

Sheryl Hardy, who served nine years of a 30-year sentence in Florida, has been fighting Illinois law for custody for 3-year-old Billy Hardy since he was born.

The Illinois 4th District Appellate Court ruled March 10 that she and her husband, Randy, should regain full custody of Billy.

The case stems from the 1989 death of Hardy's 2-year-old son, Bradley McGee, in Florida. Hardy testified that she smoked a cigarette while her former husband, Thomas Coe, punished the boy for soiling his pants by lifting him by his ankles and repeatedly dunking him in a toilet. Bradley died the next day of head injuries.

Hardy admitted she also had abused Bradley.

She was convicted of second-degree murder. Coe was convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison.

## Officer behind bars

**GA** DECATUR — Authorities arrested a man for allegedly kidnapping and attacking a police officer, but after an investigation they released the suspect and put the officer behind bars.

Officer Ronald W. Jones was charged with kidnapping and other offenses and resigned from the force, DeKalb County Police Louis Graham said.

Jones, 47, had reported that he arrested Robert Williams on Oct. 31 for loitering, but claimed Williams overpowered him, stuffed him into the trunk of his own police car and drove him to a wooded area, where he tried to kill him. Jones said he managed to draw a knife and stab Williams, who then ran away.

## Human trafficking

**NY** CENTRAL ISLIP — A couple pleaded guilty to charges of smuggling dozens of illegal immigrants from Peru and forcing them into "virtual servitude" to pay for their passage.

Jorge Ibanez and Maruliz Zavala, both 43, pleaded guilty in a deal



with prosecutors to charges that include conspiring to commit forced labor, transporting undocumented workers and providing them with forged green cards.

The couple was arrested during June 21 raids on three houses they owned in Suffolk County, where authorities found 69 aliens, including 13 children, living in what were described as squalid conditions.

Ibanez and Zavala could face more than 7 years in federal prison under the agreement.

## Car wreck kills 5

**TX** ALTAIR — Four high school girls and a toddler died when the vehicle they were riding in lost control and slid into the path of an oncoming tractor-trailer, authorities said.

The car's driver, 16-year-old Christina Llanos, and truck driver Dan Thomas Tucker, 52, were the only survivors, DPS spokeswoman Lisa Block said. Both were treated and released.

The crash happened about a mile from Rice Consolidated High School, where the teenage girls were enrolled.

Authorities were working to determine the cause of the accident.

## Ferry back in business

**MI** MUSKEGON — After an early end to its inaugural season, the Lake Express

high-speed ferry that crossed Lake Michigan in 2½ hours is getting a rave review from Michigan tourism officials.

The \$18 million ferry began making the 76-mile run between Milwaukee and Muskegon beginning June 1. It has a capacity of 250 passengers and 46 vehicles.

The West Michigan tourism industry has been promoting revival of cross-lake ferry service for decades and had been planning for Lake Express for months. From the community image and summer tourism season perspectives, the efforts were all worth it, they said.

## No dice for ex-governor

**LA** BATON ROUGE — A federal judge denied former Gov. Edwin Edwards' latest attempt to overturn his 2000 conviction for extorting payoffs in return for riverboat casino licenses.

In a ruling made public, U.S. District Judge Ralph Tyson also declined to throw out the related conviction of Edwards' son, Stephen Edwards. Both men are serving prison sentences in the scheme.

The defense motion, filed in February, claimed in part that the trial's presiding judge was biased against the four-term governor and could have been impaired by strong painkillers taken for a back injury.

Tyson's ruling said the defense "failed to point to any facts that raise a bona fide doubt as to the mental or physical competency of the trial judge."

## Alleged discrimination

**WA** SEATTLE — Security guards in a Seattle-area school district handcuffed black students, twisted their arms and grabbed their hair, the NAACP alleged in a lawsuit.

Black students, who make up 10 percent of the Kent School District's 26,000 students, were subjected to more corporal punishment than others in violation of state constitutional guarantees of equal protection and a law barring corporal punishment in schools, the lawsuit said.

The treatment violated the students' civil rights and damaged their ability to learn, lawyers for the group said.

Becky Hanks, a spokeswoman for the district, said it "rejects any claim that there's been any discrimination or mistreatment."

## Outcry over creationism

**WI** GRANTSBURG — The city's school board has revised its science curriculum to allow the teaching of creationism, prompting an outcry from more than 300 educators who urged that the decision be reversed.

School board members believed that a state law governing the teaching of evolution was too restrictive. The science curriculum "should not be totally inclusive of just one scientific theory," said Joni Burgin, superintendent of the district of 1,000 students in north-west Wisconsin.

Last month, when the board examined its science curriculum, language was added calling for "various models/theories" of origin to be incorporated.



## Stealth attack

Soaked in the reflections of the setting sun and Florida pines, an alligator swims along the bank of a small pond in Delton Springs, Fla.



## Friendly greeting

Rankin Henry, 77, of Rochester Hills, Mich., has a close encounter of the furry kind as he is greeted by two inquisitive squirrels during his walk through Rochester Municipal Park on his way to the library.

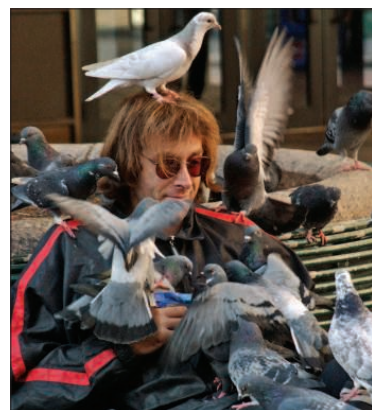


## Ride 'em, cowboy

Colton McVaugh, 2, warms up for a stick rodeo at the Horseshoe at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, N.M. The rodeo was a fund-raiser by the Animal and Range Science Graduate Student Association.



**Spinning in the sun** Fairgoers take a spin on a ride at the Volusia County Fair in Deland, Fla.



**Feeding frenzy** Jeff Stewart, of Lynn, Mass., is overtaken by hungry pigeons as he doles out food from a bench at Downtown Crossing in Boston.



**Autumn colors**

The afternoon sun highlights the bright fall colors on a tree in Hart Park in Bakersfield, Calif.



**Harvest season** Combine driver Steve Dexter and his dad, Bruce Dexter, harvest corn after a delay caused by rainy weather on their farm west of Princeton, Iowa.

## Transplants to resume

**NY** ALBANY — Patients needing heart transplants can again turn to Albany Medical Center for the operations.

Hospital officials announced that the state Department of Health and the United Network for Organ Sharing, which is federally contracted to run the nation's transplant system, have cleared the way for the program to reopen.

The hospital shut the program down on Oct. 3, 2003, after a UNOS audit and internal review found the severity of some patients' conditions had been exaggerated in order to move them up the waiting list for a cadaver organ.

A committee of doctors, nurses and administrators will now review each patient's status before the information is sent to UNOS.

It was not clear when the next heart transplant would take place.

## Steer clear of the flock

**WI** MILWAUKEE — Wildlife researchers leading a flock of young whooping cranes south for the winter are warning people to stay out of their way after an apparently curious ultralight pilot disturbed the endangered birds.

A team of pilots is leading 14 whooping cranes from Wisconsin to central Florida, using an ultralight plane and even wearing crane-like costumes to minimize the birds' contact with humans.

Last month in Illinois, another ultralight flew about 100 feet behind the researchers' plane, without radio contact, scaring the birds, said Joe Duff, chief executive officer of Operation Migration, who was flying the research plane at the time.

"It's when the cranes blast ahead of the aircraft like that that things become dangerous," because the birds could collide with wires atop the aircraft, Duff told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. "The guy was probably nothing more than curious, but that's the last thing I'd do — fly behind or beside another ultralight. The pilot can't see you."

## Athletes' prank racist?

**VT** EAST MONTPELIER — Three high school football players apologized to a black player at a rival school amid a made play up a cross bearing the player's name as a prank.

The Montpelier High School players — one of whom is black — told Principal Peter Evans they were just getting ready for last month's homecoming game against U-32 High School and wanted to "psyche" out its star running back, Dwight Lipsey.

Evans said the students told him their original idea was to make a tombstone with the letters "RIP" on it, but they ended up with a cross from old Halloween decorations, wrote "RIP Dwight" on it and stuck in the football field the day before the game.

## E. coli outbreak spreads

**NC** RALEIGH — An outbreak of E. coli infections linked to last month's state fair may be larger than previously thought, with more than 100 additional cases under review, health officials.

The number of confirmed infections grew to 31, and the state De-

partment of Health and Human Services was investigating 103 more cases.

Department spokesman Bill Furney attributed the additional reports to heightened awareness among doctors and the public.

"We're in a state where we are looking for it," he said.

The most common link among victims is that some visited a petting zoo at the fair. Many children were infected, including three who developed a serious complication that can cause kidney failure.

The E. coli bacteria can pass to humans who eat contaminated meat or contact animals, manure or contaminated surfaces.

## Nurse: Test man for HIV

**PA** PITTSBURGH — A nurse has asked a judge to order a man to take an HIV test because she was accidentally stuck with a needle she used to give him insulin.

According to her petition, filed in Pittsburgh, Kimberly Pitts was stuck with the needle Oct. 31 at Mercy Hospital. The man who isn't named in the petition, is infected with hepatitis C and used drugs, placing him at a high risk to carry HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, but he refused to take the test, the petition states.

"This is an unusual circumstance. It's the first time in our recollection where a patient refused the test," said Linda Ross, a spokeswoman for Mercy Hospital, which supports Pitts' petition.

Under Pennsylvania law, patients may refuse to take an HIV test but hospitals can test their blood if a doctor agrees there was a "significant exposure" to the virus. It's unclear if the hospital has a sample of the patient's blood.

## Birders heading south

**TX** HARLINGEN — A South Texas wildlife refuge is attracting plenty of new visitors — the two-legged variety.

About 1,200 bird watching enthusiasts have registered for the Rio Grande Valley Birding Festival.

Birding enthusiasts from around the country come to South Texas each year to glimpse American rarities like the great kiskadee, the green jay and the chachalaca, said Marc Fuller, the event's chairwoman. Last month, Valley officials opened the World Birding Festival, a \$7 million, 2,500-acre complex along the Rio Grande near Mission.

## Teachers can give candy

**AR** LITTLE ROCK — Arkansas teachers have been told they can continue to reward students with candy, despite a state battle against childhood obesity in schools.

The Pulaski County School District had told elementary school principals last month that teachers could no longer hand out candy or ice cream as rewards.

But State Education Department director Ken James said no such directive has been approved by the state Board of Education.

"We need to be conscious of what we are doing in terms of sugar content, but we have not dictated to schools that they cannot use these as rewards," James said.

As a result, the district told teachers that they could resume handing out candy.

Stories and photos from wire reports

# Horoscope

Uranus screams to a halt like a two-ton truck stopped on the freeway in life, demanding our attention and respect as he decides to change direction. We can't always expect the universal traffic to flow at the pace we'd like, and Uranus reminds us that sometimes a jam can cause us to observe the things we'd normally breeze by.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (November 11).** Your year will center on issues of independence. Many of you will become self-employed within the next six months or retire altogether. If you're married, you'll find yourself longing for the freedom of your bachelor days or before you had children. Use these insights to revitalize your marriage and creative pursuits.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Often, victory comes to us when we are at our lowest point. You understand that better than any other sign. You know that if you stumble around in the darkness long enough, you're bound to bump into the light switch.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** The spring is back in your step, and the universe seems to be working for you rather than against you. Enjoy the harmonious improvements to your love life and your wallet.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** All systems are go for a really fun weekend! Get a jump on it now by firming up your plans and rallying the troops. You have a good friend and older sibling who brings out the best in you. Include that person.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Home is where your heart is, and where all your astrological indicators are pointing, too. Expect big changes in this area and probably a lot sooner than you think. Consider where in the world you might like to move.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Leo ch-ch-changes (suing in the manner of David Bowie). That's the operative word, and perhaps nobody is feeling it more than you. You have

a glow about you as if you're carrying a secret — which of course you are, so don't tell.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** A financial situation that's been stressing you out eases up considerably. Perhaps a passive/aggressive client finally decides to send you that check he owes you. Maybe your favorite aunt slips you some mad money.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** September melts away into the warm and toasty glow of love. It could be that you've met your soul mate or have kissed and made up. But it's not limit it to that. You are, to put it simply,

in love with life again.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You're like the phoenix. No matter how burnt out you get, you can rise from ashes and be reborn into the strong, beautiful bird you're meant to be! Hard life lessons teach you to transform and renew your life force.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** An issue concerning real estate crops up. Your rent may increase, or you could refinance your mortgage at a really low rate. An elderly loved one facing a change of residence needs you. Let him or her know you'll help.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** There's the old work nut again. Security is one thing; boredom is quite another. Find new diversions to keep things interesting — anything from taking some new business classes to changing the wallpaper on your computer.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Issues of autonomy are coming to the forefront. If you're still not financially independent, that can affect your self-esteem. In love, consider how much space you need in the relationship. Don't be afraid to ask the tough questions.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Creativity versus stability is the theme. Are you willing to give up a steady paycheck to live the artist's life? Or are you craving a job that doesn't involve painting and time cards? Experimentation is the spice of life.

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## Holiday Mathis



## Calvin and Hobbes



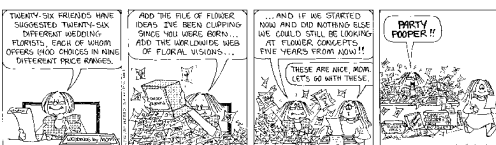
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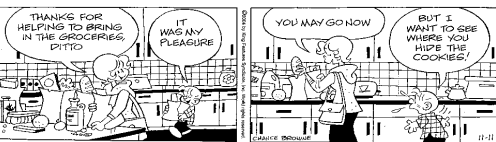
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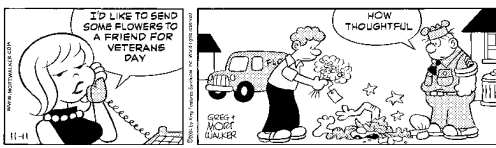
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## Hi and Lois



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## Better or Worse



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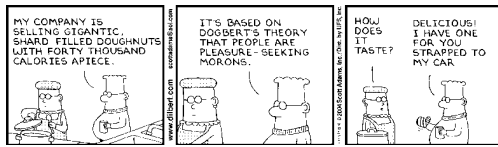
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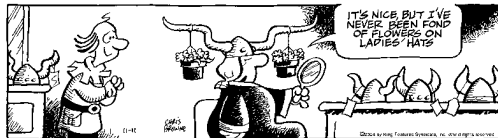
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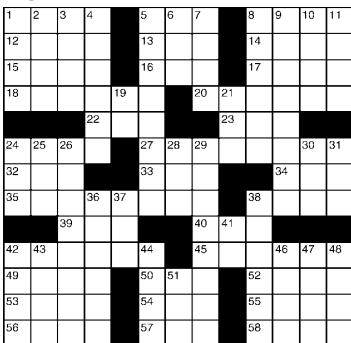
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## Eugene Sheffer Crossword



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8 Terrible  
8 Skilled  
12 Fairy-tale preposition  
13 Jurist Lance  
14 Plumbing problem  
15 Sub-stance  
16 Solidify  
17 Top-notch  
18 Approach aggressively  
20 Emissary  
22 Awe'd one's reaction  
23 Cover  
24 Stare stupidly  
27 Blooming  
32 Yalie  
33 Actress Vardalos  
34 Carte lead-in  
35 Cinderella's curfew  
38 Song of joy  
39 Non-specific duration  
40 Tilling tool  
42 Music halls, once  
45 Get one's dander up  
49 Unfavorable votes  
50 History chapter  
52 Actress Sorvino  
53 Saskatchewan tribe  
54 Moveover  
55 Lens opening

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- 56 Tackles' teammates  
57 More, to Manuel  
58 Category  
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2 Cast-of-thousands movie  
3 Sch. mil. org.  
4 Open a clasp  
5 Fad  
6 Noshed  
7 Raggedy Ann, e.g.  
8 Slow, in music  
9 Theater-goers' mecca  
10 Fuzzy bits  
11 Dual tool  
19 Therefore  
21 Right angle  
24 Idaho, the — State  
25 "The Greatest"  
26 Astonished  
28 U.S. med. research ctr.  
29 Dunces  
30 Freddy's street  
31 Took off  
36 Slip-knotted loops  
37 B&B  
38 Recluse  
41 Per-forming  
42 Never again?  
43 "Phooey!"  
44 Line of fashion?  
46 Ethereal  
47 Stage-hand  
48 Restfulness  
51 Geneticist's abbr.

## Answer to Previous Puzzle



## 11-11

## CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WOULD A  
DEPARTMENT STORE THAT SOLD STUCCO AND  
PLASTER CHOOSE THE NAME WALL MART?  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: D equals E

# No smiles after dental work on dad

**Dear Abby:** I am struggling with a family problem that could permanently break the bonds with my parents. I am a dentist, married with a family, who followed my father's footsteps into the profession. After five years working at my father's practice, I purchased the practice at full market value.

When this happened, our roles instantly were reversed.

I was now running the show. Over the next six years, I took the practice in new directions. My relationship with my parents became more strained and distant as they saw me become more successful.

Father is now retired, and recently needed to have two crowns redone. Although my parents' dental care is free, there was an outside laboratory bill for the fabrication of the two new crowns that came to about \$300. I asked my father to pay the lab

bill. I thought things were all right until my mother came in for a routine cleaning a few weeks ago and called me every name in the book. She couldn't believe I would charge my own father for his dental work after raising me as their son. I told my mother I'd pay the lab bill myself. Am I wrong on this? My parents and I seem to have completely different views.

—D.D.S.

In Deep Doo-Do

Dear D.D.S.: Geez

Louise, it was your FATHER! Where would you be today if you hadn't followed his career path? Allow me to share a philosophy I learned from my own dear mother. "If you're going to do something, give it your best effort." In your case, since you were providing your father's dental care "gratis," that means you should have gone all the way — and been happy to do it.

## Dear Abby



# Take time to volunteer with VA

**Dear Annie:** A singular moment in American history, "the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month," marked the instant when a hush fell over the 1918 battlefields of World War I. Born of that agonizing time was Veterans' Day. It is the one day a year that we pause to pay tribute to those who have given us the nation we cherish today.

At the Department of Veterans Affairs, our mission is to "care for those who have borne the battle." We do that by offering high-quality health care, benefits and compensation, and memorial services at more than 1,400 locations across the country.

This year, as we honor our veterans, may I suggest that we all look to volunteer some of our time at one of these facilities? Doctors at our national cemeteries, and aides at more than 850 outpatient clinics, help us to help veterans and their families.

To become a VA volunteer,

## Annie's Mailbox



please contact your nearest VA facility, or visit our Web site, [www.va.gov/volunteer](http://www.va.gov/volunteer).

—Sincerely,

Anthony J. Principi,

Secretary of Veterans Affairs

Dear Secretary Principi:

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to urge our readers to volunteer their time at one of the VA facilities throughout the country. We need to let our veterans know how much we appreciate their sacrifices.

**Dear Annie:** I just received a wedding invitation for the daughter of a family friend. I have known the family for many years. The problem is, this is the second wedding in five years for "Cheri."

Her first wedding was chalked up to an "oops." Because this is the groom's first wedding, it will be a big, elaborate event.

Cheri and her fiancé both are professionals, with college educa-

**Dear Abby:** My son was invited to a birthday party.

When I called the mom to RSVP, I asked her who kind of toys her son was interested in. She replied that it was rude to ask what to buy him, and to just buy him "something suitable for a boy."

Abby, I wasn't trying to be rude. I just thought that if I was going to purchase a gift for the child, I ought to know what he was interested in so I wouldn't buy him something he wouldn't use.

Was I rude to ask the question? I shall think twice about asking again.

—Anonymous in Canada

Dear Anonymous: The mother was wrong to chastise you.

Not only do I not think you were rude to ask the question, but I think it was intelligent of you to ask.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at <http://www.ueexpress.com/dearabby>. Universal Press Syndicate

# JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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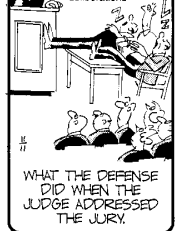
MIRBLE

Print answer here:

Yesterday's Jumbles: ABYSM THYME TRUSTY ROTATE Answer: When the yacht ran out of fuel, everybody ended up in — THE SAME BOAT

# THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argiron



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: ABYSM THYME TRUSTY ROTATE Answer: When the yacht ran out of fuel, everybody ended up in — THE SAME BOAT

## Family Circus



"I wish it was Thanksgiving so I could start wishing it was Christmas."



## Dennis the Menace



## The Far Side



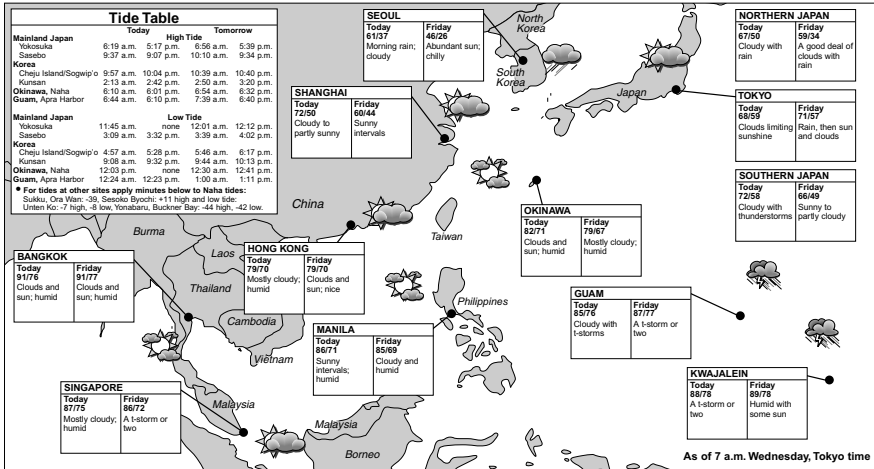
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# The Pacific Forecast

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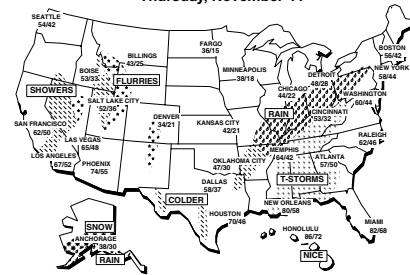
## Extended Forecasts

<b>TOKYO</b> Saturday: Partly sunny, high 58, low 46. Sunday: Showers, high 58, low 53.	<b>KADENA</b> Saturday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 78, low 70. Sunday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 81, low 71.	<b>SEUL</b> Saturday: Mostly sunny, high 49, low 29. Sunday: Showers, high 45, low 31.	<b>MANILA</b> Saturday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 87, low 71. Sunday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 86, low 71.	<b>HAGATNA</b> Saturday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 87, low 78. Sunday: Thunderstorms, high 87, low 78.
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## Tuesday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	61/38	Los Angeles	68/52
Amarillo	64/42	Little Rock	67/44
Anchorage	34/28	Louisville	56/40
Ashville	71/52	Miami	82/70
Baltimore	48/26	Milwaukee	50/38
Birmingham	70/42	Nashville	62/37
Bismarck	60/33	New York	44/30
Boise	56/38	Omaha	69/46
Boston	40/27	Orlando	78/60
Brownsville	85/66	Philadelphia	46/28
Buffalo	38/28	Phoenix	71/53
Burlington	33/17	Pittsburgh	44/26
Charleston, SC	63/40	Portland, OR	53/44
Charlotte	59/34	Portland, ME	42/19
Cleveland	43/30	Salt Lake City	54/41
Columbus, OH	48/32	St. Louis	64/43
Duluth	49/35	San Antonio	78/60
El Paso	74/46	San Diego	66/56
Hartford	42/19	San Juan	85/74
Helena	48/30	Tampa	82/62
Indianapolis	51/36	Tulsa	69/49
Jacksonville	71/53	Washington	49/31
Kansas City	67/46	Wichita	66/46

## Thursday, November 11



## U.S. Extended Forecast

A cold front will charge eastward through the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes on Thursday. Showers and thunderstorms will be found ahead of the front. In the colder air behind the boundary, there may be a few flurries and snow showers. Meanwhile, the East Coast will have a milder day with some sunshine. Tranquil weather will be found in the Southeast. In the West, a storm will cause rain and mountain snow in California and parts of the Great Basin. High pressure will provide dry but cold conditions across the northern Plains. Rain will wet much of the East Coast Friday. Cold air will reside over the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes. It will also be quite chilly in the southern Plains.

## Thursday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	91/76	Iwakuni	72/58
Beijing	43/27	Kadena AB	82/71
Camp Casey	63/37	Kunsan AB	64/45
Christchurch	65/47	Kwajalein	88/78
Diego Garcia	84/75	Manila	86/71
Hagatna	85/76	Masawa AB	63/48
Hanoi	85/70	Osan	62/39
Hong Kong	79/70	Perth	70/49
Honolulu	86/72	Pusan	72/55

## Thursday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Acapulco	91/73	Budapest	64/52	Katol	70/51
Athens	65/51	Buenos Aires	64/52	Kiev	48/39
Auckland	65/51	Cairo	89/67	Kuwait	89/61
Baghdad	83/53	Cancun	80/68	London	50/45
Barbados	86/71	Cape Town	83/60	Madrid	48/33
Barcelona	47/36	Geneva	41/38	Mexico City	73/39
Berlin	49/42	Islamabad	71/58	Montreal	46/28
Bermuda	66/58	Jerusalem	78/61	Mogadishu	88/74
Brussels	46/37	Johannesburg	78/56	Moscow	40/32
				Warsaw	50/41



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November 12 from 1630 to 1830

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### Roaring 20's Big Band Sounds and Nostalgic Food Extravaganza All Hands!

November 19 from 1700 to 2100

Don't miss this special tribute to the big band sounds, along with a live stateside band and an outstanding all you can eat buffet for only \$16.95 adult, \$8.95 child 8 to 12 years, \$6.95 child 4 to 7 years old. Child under 3 years of age free. For details call 243-5030.

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### Latin Explosion with DJ Martha

Thursdays from 2000 to 2400  
First Floor

### Chef's Choice Night

Fridays from 1700 to 1900  
Upper Deck Sports Bar

### Veteran's Day

November 11 from 1700 to 1900  
At Sharky's  
Enjoy free hors d'oeuvres.

### Japan Jam Comedians

November 18 at 1900  
in Sharky's

Join Todd Justice and Adam Hunter for some belly laughs at this adult show. May contain material some may find offensive. Free admission.

## Club Takemitsu 246-8075

### Veteran's Day Special

November 11

Receive 25 percent off total meal tab.

### Yokosuka Jazz Band

November 13, 25 and 27

Enjoy the smooth sounds of live jazz.

### Eddie Cotton Performance

November 20 from 1700 to 2100

Enjoy this outstanding musician live.

### Soul Train XXXVII

November 27 from 2100 to 0200

Enjoy another party to remember with our DJ playing all of your favorite jams from the 70's and 80's and a special Soul Train Dance contest with first, second and third place prizes

## CPO Club 243-5606

### Cruise Inn Now Open Friday and Saturday Nights

Thanks to your requests, we're now open 1900 to 2400 Friday and Saturday nights! Stop by and see what's cooking!

### Child Safety and Protection Month

Now thru November 30

Bring your child in for dinner and he or she will receive a free fountain soda.

### Loosen-Up, Lighten-Up Day

November 14

Receive \$1 discount on any entree-size salad.

### National American Education Week

November 15-19

Teachers, present your DOD School ID and receive a 30 percent discount on our nightly buffets.

## Seaside Club 243-3379

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Now thru November 30

Try the newest and best and receive \$1 off tool

### Veteran's Day

November 11 from 1100 to 1500 and 1700 to 2100

All veterans, order an entree and receive a special complimentary dessert and free coffee or tea in appreciation of all that you have done for our country.

### Moms' and Dads' Day

November 16 from 1700 to 2100

Honor our wonderful moms and dads by joining us and receive free dessert and coffee from the menu.

### Couples' Night

November 28 from 1700 to 2100

Take your special someone to dinner and both of you receive a free non-alcoholic beverage and a special dessert.

## Negishi Club 242-4151

### Prime Rib Night

Saturdays

### Veteran's Day

November 11

Celebrate the holiday with a delicious breakfast.

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November 11 & 18

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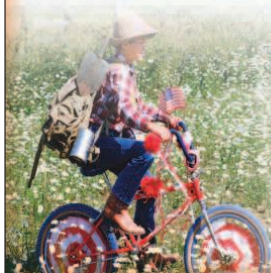
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# Colts top Vikings on last-second FG

By DAVE GOLDBERG

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Even with Peyton Manning's usual heroics and an unusually decent effort from their defense, the Indianapolis Colts still needed Mike Vanderjag's leg.

Manning threw four touchdown passes, and Vanderjag kicked a 35-yard field goal with two seconds left to give the Colts a 31-28 win over Minnesota on Monday night. The kick capped a late duel between Manning and Daunte Culpepper — the teams combined to score on five straight possessions after an unexpectedly low-scoring start between two offense-minded but relatively defenseless teams.

Still, it was the Colts' special teams that allowed the defense to take the game, giving up a 91-yard punt return for a touchdown to Nate Burleson and a 51-yard kick-off return that set up a field goal. The defense, which allowed 45 points and 590 yards in Kansas City last week, surrendered only 17 points and 292 yards.

"Our defense did an excellent job slowing them down at times," said Manning, who has 26 TD

passes this season, three short of his output all last year.

Added coach Tony Dungy: "We were better. They're an explosive offense and we held the running game till the very end. Overall, I thought we played faster and smarter."

Manning, last year's co-MVP, also used his legs on the nine-play, 55-yard drive for the winning score, scrambling for 15 yards and getting 15 more when Lance Johnstone was penalized for landing on him after he slid to the ground. And Manning, who finished 23-for-29 for 268 yards, even had a left-handed shovel pass to Edgerly James to pick up a first down on the winning series.

Then the outcome was left to Vanderjag's foot.

"I've only had eight field goal attempts this year, so you kind of lose your rhythm," said Vanderjag, who made all 37 attempts last year but missed a game-tying try in New England on opening night. "You've just got to prepare yourself for it because it's not as easy as everyone thinks. It's not as much physical as it is mental."

The win ended a two-game skid for the Colts (5-3) and put them in a tie with Jacksonville for the lead in the AFC South.

The Vikings (5-3) lost their second straight and now head to Green Bay for an NFC North showdown Sunday.

Minnesota coach Mike Tice called Manning's left-handed pass "an outstanding play."

"I love watching him," he said of the Colts QB. "Unfortunately, I was not watching him on TV."

With the game tied 21-21, Manning threw a 19-yard TD pass to Marcus Pollard with 7:24 left.

Culpepper was 16-for-19 for 169 yards and two touchdowns despite playing without injured star receiver Randy Moss. He took the Vikings 65 yards on seven plays, with Onterio Smith scoring on a 32-yard run with 2:54 left. Culpepper set it up by rolling out for 9 yards on fourth-and-1 from the Indianapolis 43, then scrambling for 10 yards on the next play.

"Randy is a factor," Smith said. "It hurts, but at the same time other guys have got to step it up. Some guys did."

Manning finished with two TD passes to Pollard and one each to Reggie Wayne and Dallas Clark. Marvin Harrison got to 800 catches quicker than any receiver in NFL history and set another record when he caught his 66th pass from Manning early in the

third quarter — the most ever by any passer-receiver combination.

## Colts 31, Vikings 28

Minnesota 7 6 14-21  
Indianapolis 0 0 10-18

First Quarter  
Ind.—Wayne 5 pass from Manning (Vanderjag kick), 5:09

Second Quarter  
Ind.—Pollard 19 pass from Manning (Vanderjag kick), 14:54

Min.—Moss 19 pass from Culpepper (Vanderjag kick), 13:06

Ind.—FG Anderson 23, 10:01

Third Quarter  
Min.—Burleson 91 punt return (Vanderjag kick), 8:23

Ind.—Clark 4 pass from Manning (Vanderjag kick), 7:24

Fourth Quarter  
Min.—Burleson 9 pass from Culpepper (Anderson kick), 11:27

Ind.—Pollard 19 pass from Manning (Vanderjag kick), 7:24

Min.—Smith 34 run from Manning (Vanderjag kick), 7:02

Ind.—FG Vanderjag 35, 2:54

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## NFL scoreboard

### American Conference

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	1	0	.875	208	146
Baltimore	5	3	0	.625	186	139
Buffalo	3	5	0	.375	137	137
Miami	8	0	1	1.111	123	86
Indianapolis	5	3	0	.625	249	206
Jacksonville	4	3	0	.556	174	164
Houston	4	5	0	.444	200	214
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	175	178
Pittsburgh	7	1	0	.875	197	137
Baltimore	5	3	0	.625	186	139
Cincinnati	3	5	0	.375	152	169
Cleveland	3	5	0	.375	160	174
Denver	6	3	0	.667	194	159
San Diego	3	5	0	.375	162	213
Kansas City	6	3	0	.667	207	171
Oakland	5	3	0	.611	165	247

### National Conference

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	1	0	.875	189	131
San Francisco	5	3	0	.625	172	141
Dallas	3	5	0	.375	143	203
San Francisco	7	1	0	.875	153	133
Atlanta	2	6	0	.250	170	170
New Orleans	5	3	0	.625	171	145
Tampa Bay	3	5	0	.375	143	155
Carolina	7	1	0	.875	142	186
North	3	5	0	.375	143	155
Detroit	4	4	0	.500	171	171
Green Bay	4	4	0	.500	206	185
Chicago	6	3	0	.667	142	142
West	3	5	0	.375	143	155
Seattle	4	4	0	.500	180	205
Arizona	4	4	0	.500	180	205
St. Louis	3	5	0	.375	150	165
San Francisco	7	1	0	.875	142	142

### Sunday's games

Washington 17, Detroit 10	Arizona 24, Miami 23
Atlanta 24, New York Jets 17	Cincinnati 26, Dallas 3
Oakland 27, Carolina 24	Pittsburgh 27, Washington 3
Tampa Bay 24, Kansas City 31	Pittsburgh 27, Washington 3
San Diego 43, New Orleans 17	Denver 31, Houston 13
New England 40, St. Louis 22	Baltimore 27, Cleveland 13
Open: Green Bay, Atlanta, Jacksonville, Tennessee	

### Monday's game

Indianapolis 31, Minnesota 28	Monday, Nov. 14
Chicago at Tennessee	
Houston at Indianapolis	
Baltimore at N.Y. Jets	
Seattle at New Orleans	
Tampa Bay at Atlanta	
Detroit at Jacksonville	
San Francisco at New Orleans	
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati	
Cincinnati at Washington	
N.Y. Giants at Arizona	
Minnesota at Green Bay	
Carolina at San Francisco	
Buffalo at New England	

### Monday, Nov. 15

Philadelphia at Dallas	Monday, Nov. 21
Dallas at Dallas	
St. Louis at Buffalo	
Arizona at Carolina	
Indianapolis at Chicago	
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati	
New York Jets at New Orleans	
Tennessee at Jacksonville	
New Orleans at Denver	
San Francisco at Tampa Bay	
San Diego at Oakland	
Miami at Seattle	
San Francisco at New Orleans	
Washington at Philadelphia	
Green Bay at Houston	

### Monday, Nov. 22

New England at Kansas City	
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# Contenders lose QBs; Strahan out for season

The Associated Press

HEMPSTADT, N.Y. — When Champ Pennington got hurt last year, the New York Jets had a hard time winning games. They hope things go differently this time around.

Pennington is out two to four weeks with a strained right rotator cuff, leaving former Cowboys starter Quincy Carter to handle the offense.

Pennington was hurt in the first quarter of a 22-17 loss to Buffalo on Sunday when he scrambled up the middle for a 12-yard gain. He kept playing, but his arm started to stiffen and he left the game in the fourth quarter after his last two drives ended with an interception and a 15-yard sack.

An MRI exam Monday revealed the strain. Pennington started rehabbing immediately to

## NFL injury update

Injuries to prominent NFL players, followed by team's prognosis. (See Friday's edition for complete injury report provided by the league.)

**Buccanneras:** C John Wade (knee) probable; QB Steve McNair (rib) probable; Martin Gramatica (hip flexor) and DT Bruce Feiler (knee) questionable.

**Browns:** RB Steve Stone (knee) out 4-6 weeks; **Seahawks:** OG Ken Lucas (bruised lung) questionable; **Texans:** WR Randy Moss (hamstring) doubtful.

regain the strength in his arm.

The Jets probably will run a scaled down version of their offense behind Carter, a scrambling quarterback with little experience in the West Coast offense.

## Leftwich to miss two games

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Jacksonville quarterback Byron Leftwich probably will miss two games with a sprained left knee. Leftwich was re-evaluated Monday, and doctors determined

there was no need for surgery. But he will remain in a brace and on crutches this week.

Backup David Garrard will make his second career start Sunday against Detroit.

Leftwich, who has completed 64.3 percent of his passes for 1,891 yards and nine touchdowns, sprained the lateral collateral ligament in his left knee Oct. 31 at Houston.

## Strahan out for season

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — All-Pro Michael Strahan will miss the rest of the season with a torn muscle in his chest, leaving the New York Giants without both starting defensive ends.

Strahan, the NFL's all-time single-season sacks leader, was hurt Sunday in the third quarter of a 28-21 loss to the Chicago Bears.

The 12-year veteran reached out with his arm to attempt a tackle on Anthony Thomas and his

arm was bent back as the running back cut inside.

Surgery will be performed Wednesday.

The news was doubly bad for the Giants because Keith Washington tore an anterior cruciate ligament in his left leg against the Bears. He also will miss the rest of the season.

## Holmes has strained MCL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Priest Holmes has strained ligaments in his right knee and might not be able to play next Sunday at New Orleans.

The star running back left Sunday's loss to Tampa Bay in the third quarter. His injury was first said to be a bruised knee, but the team learned Monday that Holmes has a strained MCL.

"The extent of the strain will only be known after a period of days," coach Dick Vermeil said. "We'll go ahead and prepare as if he's not going to be there."

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# Clemens wins record seventh Cy Young

By RONALD BLUM  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens easily won his record seventh Cy Young Award after putting off retirement and being about as dominant as ever — even at age 42.

The Rocket received 23 of 32 first-place votes and 140 points in balloting released Tuesday by the Baseball Writers' Association of America to win the NL Cy Young for the first time after capturing six Cy Youngs in the American League.

He's the oldest Cy Young winner. Gaylord Perry was 40 when he won the NL honor in 1978.

Clemens retired after pitching for the New York Yankees in the 2003 World Series, then changed his mind and signed with his hometown Houston Astros and went 18-4 with a 2.98 ERA and 218 strikeouts. Currently in Japan with a touring major league all-star team, he said last week he hasn't decided whether he will pitch in 2005.

Arizona's 41-year-old Randy Johnson, second to Clemens with five Cy Youngs, finished second in the voting with eight first-place votes and 97 points. The Big Unit went 16-14 with a 2.60 ERA and a major league-leading 290 strikeouts — Arizona scored two runs or fewer in 17 of his 35 starts.

Houston's Roy Oswalt, who went 20-10 to lead the NL in wins, was third with 19 points, followed by San Francisco's Jason Schmidt with 13.

Clemens won three Cy Youngs with Boston (1986-87, 1991), two with Toronto (1997-98) and one with the New York Yankees (2001). He is the first player to win BBWAA awards with four teams, and the first to win eight awards — he was the AL MVP in 1986.

With a 328-164 record, Clemens is 10th on the career wins list,

and his 4,317 strikeouts are second to Nolan Ryan's 5,714.

He signed with the expressed intent of helping the Astros reach the World Series for the first time, but Houston fell one win short. Clemens couldn't hold a 2-0 lead against St. Louis in Game 7 of the NL Championship Series, when Albert Pujols hit a tying double in the sixth inning, and Scott Rolen followed with a two-run homer.

Clemens earned a \$100,000 bonus for winning the award, while Johnson got \$150,000 for finishing second. Oswalt and Schmidt earned bonuses of \$25,000 each.



Roger Clemens went 18-4 with a 2.98 ERA to lead the Houston Astros to the NL Championship Series and win his seventh Cy Young Award.



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# HOME TEAM

## A WEEKLY LOOK AT LOCAL SPORTS

# Hitting close to home

## Saturday's Rising Sun Bowl matches mirror-image teams

BY DAVE ORNAUER

Stars and Stripes

I listen to coaches Tim Pujol and Sergio Mendoza describe the other's team and it sounds as if they're talking about their own selves.

Pujol's Yokota Panthers and Mendoza's Kadena Islanders are as ground-oriented as they come. Each has a yardage-chewing featured back augmented by a solid supporting cast of blocking backs and linemen, with passing games as economical as they are effective.

"They'll square off at 7 p.m. Saturday at Yokota High School's Bank Field. The Panthers are aiming for "one for the thumb," a five-straight All-Japan championship, while the Islanders seek their first.

"In some ways, watching their offense is like watching ourselves," said Pujol after the Okinawa Activities Council championship Friday, which the Islanders won 37-14 over the defending champion Kadena Buccaneers.

"I see an excellent kicking game to help win the battle of field position, a solid running attack with a good line and a hard-hitting defense and good team speed. They look solid in all three phases of the game. It's going to be a challenge."

It also might mean the closest Rising Sun Bowl since Yokota edged the Kubasaki Samurai 3-0 in the second All-Japan championship four years ago.

Yokota's ground game benefited from senior Chris Roach, with 1,400 yards and 21 touchdowns, while the Islanders were powered chiefly by senior Keith Loving's 1,042 yards and 13 TDs.

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### Game of the week

**Kadena Islanders (9-0) vs. Yokota Panthers (9-0)**  
When: 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at Yokota High School, Yokota, Air Base, Japan.

The Rising Sun Bowl VI, the Department of Defense Dependents Schools All-Japan High School Championship game, between the champions of the Okinawa Football League and Okinawa Activities Council.



DAVE ORNAUER/Stars and Stripes

**Kadena Islanders senior running back Keith Loving rushed for 1,042 yards and 13 touchdowns on 154 carries this season.**

### Kadena Islanders (8-0)

Head coach: Sergio Mendoza (third season)

**Regular season**

Sept. 12: Kadena Islanders 41, Kubasaki Samurai 0

Sept. 24: Kadena Islanders 17, Kubasaki Shogun 7

Oct. 2: Kadena Islanders 27, Kadena Buccaneers 14

Oct. 12: Kadena Islanders 25, Kubasaki Shogun 7

Oct. 22: Kadena Islanders 17, Kubasaki Samurai 14

**Okinawa Activities Council playoffs**

Oct. 29: Kadena Islanders 21, Kubasaki Shogun 16

**Nov. 4: Kadena Islanders 37, Kadena Buccaneers 12**

**Championship**

12-30-06, 8 interceptions, 25 yards, 3 touchdowns.

2,137 yards, 23 touchdowns, five field goals, 426 plays.

**Return yardage**

751 yards, 5 touchdowns, 38 returns.

**Total yardage**

2,889 yards, 28 touchdowns, five field goals.

**Turnover margin**

27 takeaways, 20 giveaways.

**Players to watch**

**Keith Loving, senior running back/linebacker:** 1,042 yards, 13 touchdowns, 154 carries, 6,756 yards per carry, 24 yards, 2 catches, 293 yards, 1 touchdown, 17 returns, 3 fumble recoveries.

**David McDowen, senior running back/linebacker:** 469 yards, 3 touchdowns, 62 carries, 5,72 yards per carry, 106 yards, 1 touchdown, 6 carries, 42 yards per carry, 42 yards, 4 catches, 25 yards, 2 returns, 1 interception, 1 sack.

**Skyo Miyajima, senior quarterback/defensive back:** 12-30-06, 8 interceptions, 225 yards, 3 touchdowns, league-high 15 interceptions; 109 yards, 5 returns.

**Grady Penney, senior linebacker:** 3 sacks, 1 fumble recovery, 1 fumble return touchdown, 1 interception, 1 touchdown.

**Harvey Hunter, senior linebacker:** 1 sack, 1 fumble recovery, 2 punt blocks.

**J.C. Weidner, junior linebacker:** 3 sacks, 1 fumble recovery, 1 fumble return touchdown.



DAVE ORNAUER/Stars and Stripes

**Yokota Panthers senior running back Chris Roach rushed for 1,400 yards and 21 touchdowns on 166 carries during the regular season.**

### Yokota Panthers (8-0)

Head coach: Tim Pujol (sixth season)

**Regular season**

Sept. 4: Yokota 56, Robert D. Edgren 7

Sept. 18: Yokota 34, Zama American 8

Sept. 24: Yokota 7, Nile C. Kinnick 7

Sept. 30: Yokota 50, American School in Japan 0

Oct. 8: Yokota 41, Robert D. Edgren 0

Oct. 15: Yokota 36, Zama American 8

Oct. 29: Yokota 24, Nile C. Kinnick 7; clinched Kanto Plain and JFL titles.

**Nov. 26: Yokota 27, American School in Japan 0**

**Championship**

2,381 yards, 30 touchdowns, 272 carries, 8,754 yards per carry.

**Return yardage**

16-for-29, 2 interceptions, 253 yards, 5 touchdowns.

**Total offense**

2,674 yards, 35 touchdowns, 301 plays.

**Return yardage**

877 yards, 5 touchdowns, 38 returns.

**Total yardage**

3,551 yards, 40 touchdowns.

**Turnover margin**

19 takeaways, 13 giveaways.

**Players to watch**

**Chris Roach, senior tailback/safety/kick returner:** 1,400 yards, 21 touchdowns, 166 carries, 1,656 yards, 8,434 yards per carry, 298 yards, 3 touchdowns, 11 returns, 2 interceptions, 1 interception return touchdown.

**Josh Cunningham, junior halfback:** 282 yards, 2 touchdowns, 29 carries, 59 yards, four returns.

**Shamuel Howell, junior halfback/defensive back/kick returner:** 294 yards, 3 touchdowns, 41 carries, 31 yards, 7 touchdowns, 7 catches, 207 yards, 1 touchdown, 9 returns, 2 interceptions.

**Jamal Kallik, senior defensive back:** 4 interceptions, 1 interception return touchdown, 1 fumble recovery.

**D.J. McCarty, senior defensive back:** 3 interceptions.

### This week's schedule

**For East tournaments**

**Thursday, Nov. 11-Friday, Nov. 12**

Class A volleyball at E.J. King, Sasebo Naval Base, Japan.

**Thursday, Nov. 11-Saturday, Nov. 13**

Class A volleyball at Sasebo Naval Base, Japan.

**Thursday, Nov. 11-Friday, Nov. 12**

Class A tennis at Renter Tennis Complex, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa.

**Friday, Nov. 12**

Class A soccer at Sasebo Naval Base, Japan.

**Saturday, Nov. 13**

Class A soccer at Sasebo Naval Base, Japan.

**Class A soccer**

World Bowl XII, Singapore American Community Action Council, World

League All-Stars at DODOS-Korea

All-Stars, Falcons Field, Seoul American High School, Yongins Garrison, 2 p.m.

**Guam**

**Football**

**Saturday, Nov. 13**

**Championship**

Bamboo Bowl, Father Duena Memorial at George Washington, 7 p.m.

**Tenets**

**Friday, Nov. 12**

John F. Kennedy vs. George Washington at Hagatna A, 3 p.m.

Simon Sanchez vs. Father Duena Memorial/Academy of Our Lady at Hagatna B, 4 p.m.

St. John's at Southern, 4 p.m.

Guam High vs. Harvest Christian Academy at Tanning, 4 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 13**

John F. Kennedy at Southern, 3 p.m.

George Washington vs. Guam High at Hagatna A, 3 p.m.

Harvest Christian Academy vs. Father Duena Memorial/Academy of Our Lady at Hagatna B, 4 p.m.

Simon Sanchez vs. St. John's at Tanning, 4 p.m.

**Girls soccer**

**Thursday, Nov. 11**

Academy of Our Lady vs. Notre Dame at Talofofo Field, 4:30 p.m.

St. Paul Christian at John F. Kennedy, 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 13**

Simon Sanchez at Harvest Christian Academy, 4:30 p.m.

St. John's at St. Paul Christian, 9 a.m.

Guam International Christian Academy at John F. Kennedy, 11 a.m.

St. John's vs. Notre Dame at Talofofo Field, 11 a.m.

Academy of Our Lady at George Washington, 1 p.m.

**Sunday, Nov. 14**

Academy of Our Lady vs. Guam International Christian Academy at Eagle Field, Manilla, 4:30 p.m.

Simon Sanchez at St. Paul Christian, 4:30 p.m.

George Washington vs. Guam High at Polaris Point, 4:30 p.m.

**Boys volleyball**

**Friday, Nov. 12**

Guam High at John F. Kennedy, 5:30 p.m.

St. Paul Christian at Father Duena Memorial, 5:30 p.m.

Notre Dame at St. Paul Christian, 5:30 p.m.

St. John's at George Washington, 5:30 p.m.

Simon Sanchez at Southern, 5:30 p.m.

Notre Dame vs. Harvest Christian Academy at Guam Sports Complex, 5:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov. 13**

John F. Kennedy at Notre Dame, 5:30 p.m.

St. Paul Christian at Guam High, 5:30 p.m.

St. John's at Father Duena Memorial, 5:30 p.m.

Notre Dame at St. Paul Christian, 5:30 p.m.

Harvest Christian Academy at Southern, 5:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Nov. 16**

Southern at John F. Kennedy, 5:30 p.m.

Guam High at St. Paul Christian, 5:30 p.m.

Guam High at John F. Kennedy, 5:30 p.m.

Father Duena vs. Simon Sanchez at Talofofo, 5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Nov. 17**

George Washington vs. Harvest Christian Academy at Guam Sports Complex, 5:30 p.m.

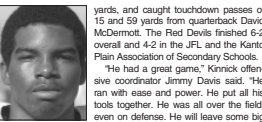
### Leonard Lynce

Football

Nile C. Kinnick, Japan

Last week: Amassed 269 yards, scored four touchdowns and recorded seven tackles in one half as the Red Devils celebrated their 2004 homecoming with a 46-12 victory over Robert D. Edgren in the last game of the Japan Football League regular season.

Lynce, a senior, ended his Kinnick career with 195 yards on 10 carries, with touchdown runs of 7 and 56



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yards, and caught touchdown passes of 15 and 59 yards from quarterback David McDowen. The Red Devils finished 6-2 overall and 4-2 in the JFL and the Kanto Plain Association of Secondary Schools.

"He had a great game," Kinnick offensive coordinator Jimmy Davis said. "He ran with ease and power. He put all his tools together. He was all over the field, even on defense. He will leave some big shoes to fill."

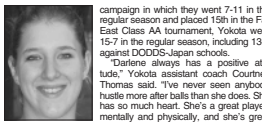
### Darlene Seeley

Volleyball

Yokota, Japan

Last week: Recorded 31 set assists for the Panthers, who won the "Battle of DODOS-Japan" against Nile C. Kinnick at Yokosuka Naval Base before closing the regular season with a five-set loss to the American School in Japan.

The senior setter and team captain helped marshal a Panthers team that enjoyed a major turnaround this season. After a 2003



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campaign in which they went 7-11 in the regular season and placed 15th in the Far East Class AA tournament, Yokota went 15-7 in the regular season, including 13-2 against DODOS-Japan.

"Darlene always has a positive attitude," Yokota assistant coach Courtney Thomas said. "We never seen anybody hustle more after balls than she does. She has so much heart. She's a great player, mentally and physically, and she's great for the team."

## SPORTS



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## Colts bump off Vikings



Colts Marcus Pollard, right, and Dallas Clark celebrate Pollard's second-quarter touchdown, the first of the three the tight ends scored against the Vikings. Indianapolis won on a late field goal. See Page 28.

## Wannstedt exits Miami

Dolphins coach resigns; defensive coordinator Bates promoted on interim basis

BY STEVEN WINE  
The Associated Press

DAVIE, Fla. — Dave Wannstedt resigned Tuesday as coach of the Miami Dolphins, forced from the job by lousy luck, relentless speculation about his future and eight losses in nine games.

Defensive coordinator Jim Bates was promoted to interim coach, and management immediately began a search for a coach in 2005.

A wave of injuries and the retirement of running back Ricky Williams contributed to this year's transformation of the long-pride franchise into a laughingstock with the NFL's worst record. Wannstedt accepted blame and said he resigned because his job status had become a distraction.

"I have too much respect for the players and owner of this organization to allow myself to be the focal point for the remainder of the season," he said during a news conference. "I told the players today the team must come first. This is what's best for our team."

The coaching change came during the Dolphins' off week, and two days after perhaps their most wrenching defeat of the season. They twice blew a lead against the Arizona Cardinals, who scored in the final seconds Sunday to win 24-23 and break a 17-game road losing streak.

On Monday, Wannstedt requested a meeting with owner



Dave Wannstedt resigned as coach of the Dolphins, saying his departure was best for the team.

Wayne Huizenga and said he had decided to step down. Huizenga wanted Wannstedt to coach the rest of the season but reluctantly accepted the resignation, team president Eddie Jones said.

Attendance has been in steep decline, but while Wannstedt's departure gave fans cause for celebration, the mood was gloomy at the team's complex. As linebacker Zach Thomas and cornerback Sam Madison spoke about Wannstedt, their voices broke, and general manager Rick Spielman fought back tears.

Defensive end Jason Taylor reacted sharply to a question about Wannstedt quitting.

"Let's get this straight: Dave

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